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## Floriculture Survey Procedures and Definitions

The floriculture statistics presented in this report are compiled from interviews of all known growers of floriculture crops. Growers must have annual gross sales of all floriculture crops exceeding \$10,000 to be included in this report.

The results in this report are based upon two survey instruments. The 1998 data are from the decennial Census of Horticultural Specialties which contained the traditional questions about floriculture production plus questions about horticultural commodities in general. The 1999 information is from the annual Commercial Floriculture questionnaire which specifically targets floriculture producers.

A **floriculture crop** is defined as any item considered in the category of bedding/garden plants, cut cultivated greens, cut flowers, flowering potted plants, or foliage plants. A **commercial grower** is defined as any operation which produces any floriculture crop and whose gross sales total \$10,000 or more during the calendar year. **Expanded wholesale value** is the value of all crops grown, at wholesale, for growers above \$10,000. The figure is calculated using two parts. One part uses survey totals of wholesale value of all sales as reported by growers with \$100,000 or more of floriculture crop sales. The second part is a calculated value for operations which fall between the \$10,000 minimum and the \$99,999 level. The value is derived by multiplying the number of growers in each range of sales by the midpoint dollar value of each range. The two components are then summed to provide state totals.

Floriculture: Number of Growers, Value and Growing Area, Mississippi

Production of Number of Growers, Value and Growing Area, Mississippi						
Year	Number of Growers	Expanded Wholesale Value <sup>1</sup>	Type of Growing Area			
			Total Greenhouse Cover	Shade and Temporary Cover	Total Covered Area	Open Ground
\$1,000 Dollars			1,000 Square Feet			
1992	59	9,119	2,408	63	2,471	64
1993	59	9,349	2,960	48	3,008	86
1994	49	7,031	2,627	135	2,762	74
1995	79	9,536	2,987	169	3,156	70
1996	67	10,750	1,789	102	1,891	76
1997	100	19,968	2,189	190	2,379	148
1998	77	13,608	3,285	136	3,421	81
1999	68	14,892	3,414	130	3,544	63

<sup>1</sup> Wholesale value of sales as reported by growers with \$100,000 or more in sales of floriculture crops plus a calculated wholesale value of sales for growers with sales below \$100,000. The value of sales for growers below the \$100,000 level was estimated by multiplying the number of growers in each size group by the mid-point of each dollar value range.

## Floriculture: Number of Growers, Value and Growing Area, Selected States, 1999

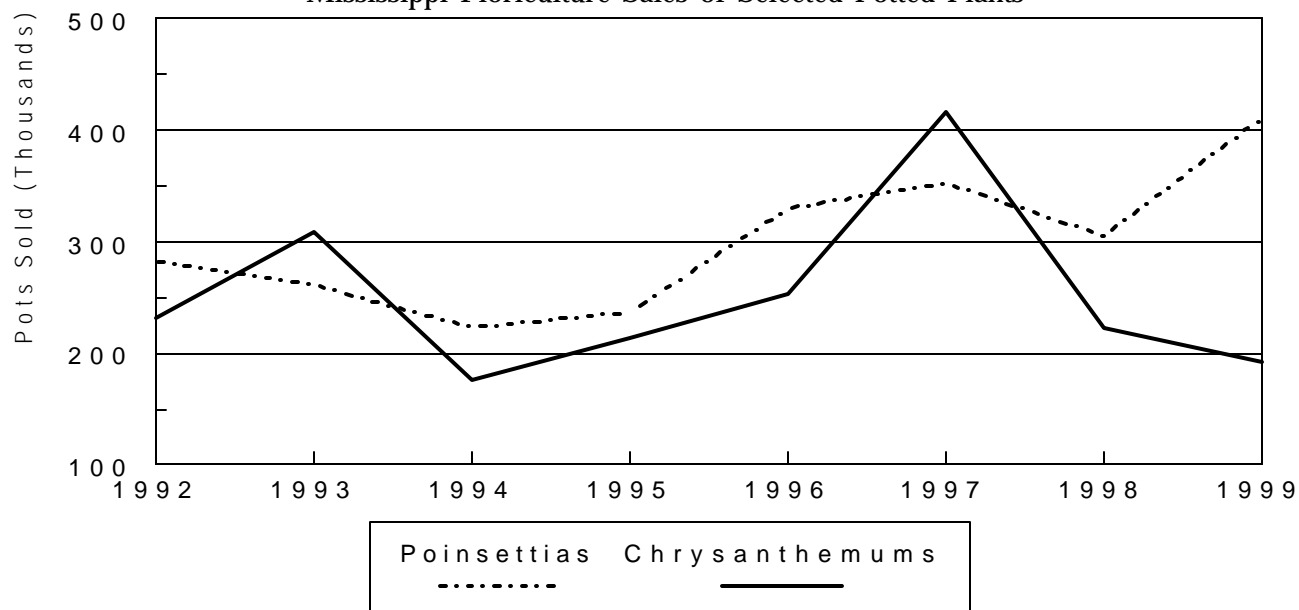
State	Number of Growers	Expanded Wholesale Value <sup>1</sup>	Type of Growing Area			
			Total Greenhouse Cover	Shade and Temporary Cover	Total Covered Area	Open Ground
		\$1,000 Dollars	1,000 Square Feet			
Alabama	171	80,617	8,544	160	8,704	165
Arkansas	68	13,161	4,054	28	4,082	169
Georgia	233	66,169	8,938	391	9,329	142
Kentucky	178	26,695	4,986	95	5,081	77
Louisiana	99	21,115	3,476	157	3,633	80
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>14,892</b>	<b>3,414</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>3,544</b>	<b>63</b>
Missouri	201	41,604	6,507	274	6,781	119
Tennessee	195	46,106	7,102	198	7,300	159

<sup>1</sup> Wholesale value of sales as reported by growers with \$100,000 or more in sales of floriculture crops plus a calculated wholesale value of sales for growers with sales below \$100,000. The value of sales for growers below the \$100,000 level was estimated by multiplying the number of growers in each size group by the mid-point of each dollar value range.

## Potted Easter Lilies, Area and Pots Sold, Selected States

State	Quantity Sold		Wholesale Price		Value of Sales	
	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999
		1,000 Pots	Dollars		1,000 Dollars	
Alabama	123	125	4.35	4.27	535	534
Georgia	73	73	4.77	4.55	348	332
Kentucky	71	71	4.26	4.26	302	302
Louisiana	22	13	4.28	4.62	94	60
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>4.78</b>	<b>5.24</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>293</b>
Missouri	130	129	4.68	5.30	608	684
Tennessee	34	22	4.42	5.06	150	111

## Mississippi Floriculture Sales of Selected Potted Plants



**Floriculture Wholesale Value of Sales by Category for Operations  
With \$100,000+ Sales Selected States, 1999**

State	Cut Flowers	Potted Flowering Plants	Foliage For Indoor or Patio Use	Bedding/ Garden Plants	Wholesale Value of Reported Crops
1,000 Dollars					
Alabama	662	10,078	2,251	63,531	76,522
Arkansas	---	1,467	241	9,561	11,316
Georgia	---	8,521	2,163	49,710	60,394
Kentucky	430	4,495	1,398	15,317	21,640
Louisiana	---	3,922	2,390	11,953	18,265
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3,793</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>8,478</b>	<b>13,002</b>
Missouri	281	11,711	2,192	20,085	34,269
Tennessee	1,457	12,852	983	24,769	40,061

--- Estimates not made.

**Floriculture Wholesale Value of Sales by Category for Operations  
with \$100,000+ Sales, Mississippi**

Year	Cut Flowers	Potted Flowering Plants	Foliage For Indoor or Patio Use	Bedding/ Garden Plants	Wholesale Value of Reported Crops
1,000 Dollars					
1992	---	3,355	758	3,901	8,014
1993 <sup>1</sup>	73	3,013	436	4,604	8,134
1994	107	1,867	435	3,482	5,891
1995	177	2,394	233	4,632	7,436
1996	184	2,831	327	5,143	8,485
1997	254	3,763	488	12,133	16,638
1998	70	3,573	357	7,568	11,568
1999 <sup>2</sup>	43	3,793	686	8,478	13,002

--- Estimates not made.

<sup>1</sup> Wholesale value includes \$8,000 for cut cultivated greens.

<sup>2</sup> Wholesale value includes \$2,000 for cut cultivated greens.

**Poultry Production and Value Mississippi and United States, 1998-1999**

Commodity	Unit	Mississippi		United States	
		1998 <sup>1</sup>	1999 <sup>2</sup>	1998 <sup>1</sup>	1999 <sup>2</sup>
Chickens					
Number Lost <sup>3</sup>	1,000 Head	1,460	1,535	53,428	54,701
Number Sold	1,000 Head	5,702	6,030	193,768	204,620
Pounds sold	1,000 Pounds	41,625	44,622	934,568	973,407
Price per pound	Dollars	.174	.156	.081	.070
Value of sales	1,000 Dollars	7,243	6,961	75,542	67,724
Eggs					
Number Produced	Million	1,555	1,569	79,754	82,711
Price per dozen	Dollars	1.220	1.210	.668	.627
Value of Production	1,000 Dollars	158,092	158,207	4,439,446	4,322,589
Broilers					
Number Produced	1,000 Head	722,400	735,100	6,906,100	7,080,200
Price per Pound <sup>4</sup>	Dollars	.395	.360	.394	.370
Value of Production	1,000 Dollars	1,369,663	1,323,180	13,322,322	13,254,183
Total Value	1,000 Dollars	1,534,998	1,488,348	17,837,310	17,644,496

<sup>1</sup> Estimates cover December 1, 1997 through November 30, 1998.

<sup>2</sup> Estimates cover December 1, 1998 through November 30, 1999.

<sup>3</sup> Includes death and other losses during the 12 month period.

<sup>4</sup> Live weight equivalent price.

### US Farm-Raised Catfish: Quantity Processed and Prices Paid to Producers by Major Processors, and United States Imports, 1999-2000

Month	Round Weight Processed				Average Price Paid to Producers <sup>1</sup>		Imports of Catfish <sup>2</sup>	
	Monthly		Cumulative					
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
	1,000 Pounds				Dollars Per Pound		(000) Pounds	
January	48,723	50,552	48,723	50,552	.703	.744	57	487
February	48,891	50,942	97,614	101,494	.714	.788	53	235
March	56,310	56,856	153,924	158,350	.732	.789	113	
April	46,830		200,754		.756		250	
May	47,703		248,457		.777		541	
June	48,445		296,902		.775		372	
July	50,074		346,976		.768		475	
August	50,372		397,348		.743		479	
September	50,414		447,762		.728		304	
October	52,407		500,169		.716		217	
November	48,118		548,287		.713		285	
December	48,341		596,628		.716		305	

<sup>1</sup> Price for fish delivered to processing plant door. Price includes charges for any services provided by the processing plant, such as seining and hauling, but does not include any adjustments based on year-end settlements.

<sup>2</sup> Data furnished by U.S. Bureau of Census.

### US Catfish: Sales, Average Price and Ending Inventory, March, 1999 and 2000

Item	Sales Volume		Average Price		Ending Inventory	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars Per Pound		1,000 Pounds	
Fresh						
Whole Fish	4,467	4,031	1.57	1.69	180	203
Filletts <sup>1</sup>	5,768	5,957	2.76	2.89	393	494
Other <sup>2</sup>	1,742	1,685	1.59	1.69	84	91
Total Fresh	11,977	11,673	2.15	2.30	657	788
Frozen						
Whole Fish	1,320	1,421	1.95	2.08	969	1,552
Filletts <sup>1</sup>	11,467	11,651	2.71	2.88	4,940	6,886
Other <sup>2</sup>	3,780	4,416	1.80	1.81	2,449	2,695
Total Frozen	16,567	17,488	2.44	2.54	8,358	11,133
Total Fresh & Frozen	28,544	29,161	2.32	2.45	9,015	11,921

<sup>1</sup> Includes regular, shank, and strip fillets; excludes any breaded product.

<sup>2</sup> Includes steaks, nuggets and all other products not already reported, including weight of breading and added ingredients.

**Quick Statistic:** In 1960, milk and milk products consumed on Mississippi farms where produced amounted to 260 million pounds. This represented 21 percent of the total milk produced in the state that year. By 1980, milk consumed on farms where produced dropped to 13 million pounds, or 1.6 percent of the total milk produced. Today, milk used on farms where produced totals about 1 million pounds and accounts for approximately two tenths of one percent of the total milk produced in the state.

# Number of Milk Cows, Production, Cash Receipts and Value of Production, Selected States and United States

Selected States	Combined Marketings of Milk & Cream							
	Number of Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Total Milk Produced		Marketings		Price Per Cwt	
	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999
	1,000 Head		Million Pounds				Dollars	
Alabama	28	27	386	374	382	371	16.50	16.50
Arkansas	45	42	540	520	527	500	15.60	15.40
Georgia	93	89	1,437	1,449	1,425	1,435	16.60	16.00
Louisiana	63	61	751	711	738	699	16.20	16.30
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>552</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>16.20</b>	<b>16.30</b>
Missouri	170	159	2,367	2,220	2,337	2,189	15.60	14.70
Tennessee	105	97	1,501	1,417	1,490	1,410	15.90	15.90
United States	9,154	9,156	157,348	162,711	155,943	161,343	15.46	14.38

Selected States	Combined Marketings of Milk & Cream					
	Cash Receipts From Marketings		Gross Producer Income <sup>2 4</sup>		Value of Milk Produced <sup>3 4</sup>	
	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999
	1,000 Dollars					
Alabama	63,030	61,215	63,195	61,380	63,690	61,710
Arkansas	82,212	77,000	82,680	77,770	84,240	80,080
Georgia	236,550	229,600	236,716	229,760	238,542	231,840
Louisiana	119,556	113,937	119,880	114,263	121,662	115,893
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>93,150</b>	<b>89,324</b>	<b>93,312</b>	<b>89,487</b>	<b>93,798</b>	<b>89,976</b>
Missouri	364,572	321,783	365,352	322,518	369,252	326,340
Tennessee	236,910	224,190	237,069	224,349	238,659	225,303
United States	24,114,036	23,203,993	24,151,878	23,237,951	24,331,981	23,402,392

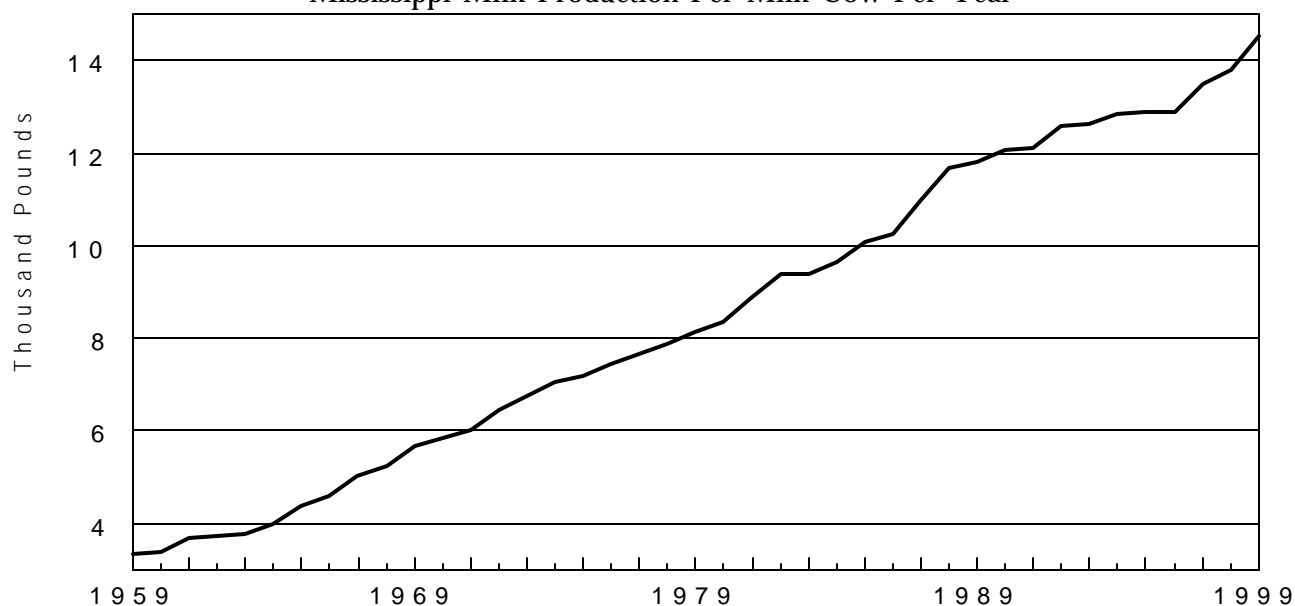
<sup>1</sup> Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Cash receipts from marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk used for home consumption.

<sup>3</sup> Includes value of milk fed to calves.

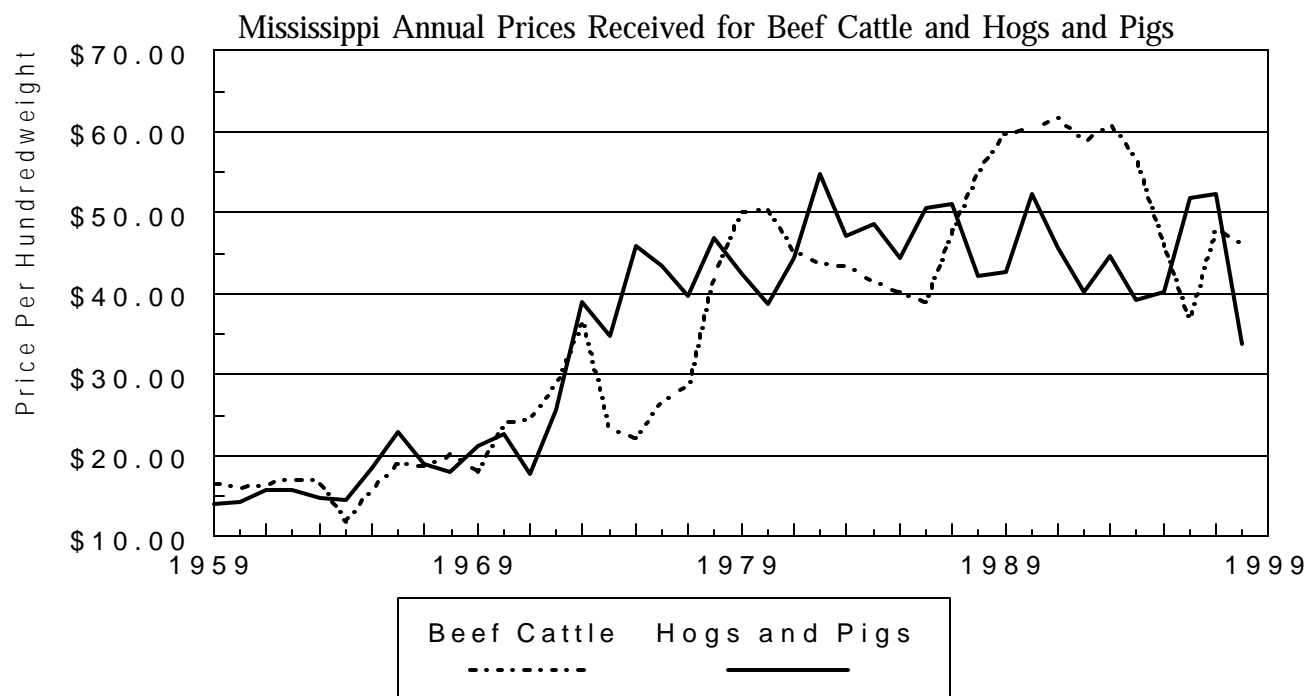
<sup>4</sup> Valued at averaged returns per 100 pounds of milk in combined marketings of milk and cream.

Mississippi Milk Production Per Milk Cow Per Year



## Mississippi Meat Animals: Farm Production, Disposition, and Income, 1998-1999

Cattle and Calves	1998	1999	Hogs and Pigs	1998	1999
	1,000			1,000	
Inventory, January 1	1,200	1160	Inventory, December 1 <sup>1</sup>	220	275
Calf Crop	540	540	Pig Crop (Dec <sup>1</sup> - Nov)	523	522
Inshipments	12	9	Inshipments	47	110
Marketings: <sup>2</sup>			Marketings <sup>2</sup>	483	589
Cattle	286	315	Farm Slaughter	2	2
Calves	246	267	Deaths	30	36
Farm Slaughter	2	2	Production (lbs.)	124,082	145,726
Deaths:			Marketings (lbs.)	120,080	146,700
Cattle	24	22			
Calves	34	33			
Production (lbs.)	305,060	310,257			
Marketings (lbs.)	335,330	367,250			
	Dollars			Dollars	
Annual Average Price:			Annual Average Price:		
Cattle (cwt.)	46.00	51.50	All Hogs & Pigs (cwt.)	33.70	29.80
Calves (cwt.)	69.00	77.00			
	1,000 Dollars			1,000 Dollars	
Value of Production	158,772	180,996	Value of Production	40,908	41,700
Cash Receipts	173,652	212,428	Cash Receipts	40,496	43,657
Value of Home Consumption	3,792	4,907	Value of Home Consumption	326	291
Gross Income	177,444	217,335	Gross Income	40,822	43,948

<sup>1</sup> Previous year.<sup>2</sup> Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and state outshipments, but excludes interfarm sales within the state.

## Chicken Eggs in Incubators, April 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-type			Egg-type		
	1999	2000	2000/ 1999	1999	2000	2000/ 1999
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
North Atlantic	12,005	11,681	97	6,949	5,957	86
East North Central	8,134	7,829	96	9,088	7,163	79
West North Central	22,367	21,008	94	7,373	7,647	104
South Atlantic	240,300	238,953	99	4,724	3,122	66
South Central	320,552	327,409	102	3,705	4,435	120
West	25,369	25,902	102	5,411	4,848	90
United States	628,727	632,782	101	37,250	33,172	89

## March Layers and Egg Production, Selected States

State	All Layers on Hand		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
	1,000		Million		Million	
Ohio	30,805	31,503	---	---	---	---
Pennsylvania	22,790	23,530	513	524	17	18
Indiana	22,148	22,901	482	508	12	14
Georgia	21,226	21,370	268	276	184	182
Texas	17,483	17,278	---	---	---	---
Arkansas	15,281	15,684	105	111	189	196
North Carolina	11,633	11,302	88	83	139	132
Alabama	10,661	10,636	86	71	125	135
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>6,941</b>	<b>6,859</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>94</b>
United States	322,758	330,826	5,943	6,101	1,109	1,119

--- Data by type of flock not shown for some states to avoid disclosing individual operations.

## Young Chickens Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations, Selected States and United States, February 1999 and 2000

State	Total Certified <sup>1</sup>		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
			N.Y. Dressed Weight		Percent <sup>2</sup>	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
	1,000 Pounds		Percent			
Alabama	274,586	283,866	7,723	8,806	2.36	2.52
Arkansas	321,721	342,376	5,773	6,835	1.46	1.61
Georgia	329,968	333,050	7,473	8,847	1.86	2.16
Louisiana	41,739	46,902	1,394	805	2.61	1.33
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>194,488</b>	<b>223,919</b>	<b>3,412</b>	<b>3,002</b>	<b>1.43</b>	<b>1.16</b>
Missouri	96,730	97,687	1,667	1,914	1.42	1.59
Tennessee	55,271	59,539	849	688	1.24	0.93
Texas	144,429	162,567	2,086	2,737	1.20	1.44
United States	2,263,796	2,472,358	48,658	53,865	1.75	1.78

<sup>1</sup> Ready-to-cook weights.

<sup>2</sup> Pounds condemned as percent of equivalent N.Y. dressed weight of quantity inspected. Percentages are based on unrounded data.

## Mississippi and US Price Highlights

Commodity	Unit	April 1999 Entire Month		March 2000 Entire Month		April 2000 Mid-Month	
		MS	US	MS	US	MS	US
Corn	bu	---	2.04	---	2.03	---	2.01
Cotton, Upland	lb	.579	.556	.422	.479	.419 <sup>1</sup>	.450 <sup>1</sup>
Cottonseed	ton	---	---	---	---	---	---
Sorghum, grain	cwt	---	3.09	---	3.21	---	3.15
Soybeans	bu	4.69	4.63	5.14	4.91	5.12	4.99
Winter Wheat	bu	---	2.48	---	2.38	---	2.29
Rice, Rough	cwt	---	8.49	---	5.82	---	5.82
All Milk	cwt	13.10	12.60	---	11.90	---	11.90
Fluid	cwt	13.10	12.60	---	12.00	---	12.00
Manufacturing	cwt	---	12.20	---	10.10	---	10.00
All Beef Cattle	cwt	---	62.70	---	69.80	---	70.10
Cows	cwt	---	35.10	---	39.00	---	39.60
Calves	cwt	---	88.20	---	109.00	---	110.00
Steers & Heifers	cwt	---	66.00	---	73.40	---	73.80
All Hogs	cwt	---	30.10	---	41.80	---	46.90
Barrows & Gilts	cwt	---	30.50	---	42.10	---	47.50
Sows	cwt	---	22.60	---	34.60	---	35.50
Broilers, Live	lb	.350	.354	---	.349	---	.365 <sup>2</sup>
Market Eggs <sup>3</sup>	doz	.530	.428	.440	.382	.540	.477

--- Estimates not made.

<sup>1</sup> Based on sales during the first half of the month.

<sup>2</sup> Entire month.

<sup>3</sup> Includes eggs sold retail by the producers.